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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.121)  
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice Of Non-Compliant Amendment ("Notice") dated March 8, 2005, Applicants hereby submits a Substitute Specification as clean version and as marked-up version.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin at page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin at page 3 of this paper.